

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 116 - HB 528**

March 4, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) and the University of Tennessee (UT) to develop articulation agreements with all military schools, academies, colleges, or other higher education institution of a branch of the United States military by January 1, 2012.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$452,000/FY11-12**

Assumptions:

- Articulation agreements will be made by January 1, 2012, with the three United States military academies: West Point, Annapolis, and Air Force.
- UT and TBR will meet jointly.
- According to UT and TBR, one articulation agreement will require an average of 28 separate meetings. These meetings will cover the 41 hour general education requirement and the 19 hour major-specific coursework for included programs. Each meeting will be attended by an average total of 20 faculty members or staff and requires two days of work.
- For one meeting, 16 total in-state faculty and staff from UT and TBR will be compensated for mileage and hotel costs. The average cost of in-state travel and lodging for one person is \$209 (\$110 hotel + \$99 mileage) resulting in a total increase in travel costs of \$3,344 (\$209 x 16) for 16 faculty to attend each meeting. This cost is based on meetings completed for the articulation agreements required by the *Complete College Act of 2010*.
- Four out-of-state institution representatives will attend each meeting. UT and TBR will pay the travel costs and per diem for these representatives. The total cost for one person will be \$509 (\$300 airfare + \$110 hotel + \$99 per diem) resulting in a total increase of \$2,036 (\$509 x 4) for four out-of-state institution representatives to attend each meeting.
- The increase in one-time state expenditures for one meeting will be \$5,380 (\$3,344 + \$2,036).
- The increase in one-time state expenditures for one articulation agreement in FY11-12 will be \$150,640 (\$5,380 x 28 meetings).

- The increase in one-time state expenditures in FY11-12 for three articulation agreements will be \$451,920 (\$150,640 x 3 military academies).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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